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Development Account

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 52/12 B of 19 December 1997 and 52/220 and 52/221 A of 22 December 1997,

Reaffirming its resolutions 52/235 of 26 June 1998, 53/220 A of 7 April 1999 and 53/220 B of 8 June 1999,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Development Account[2] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Reaffirming its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986,

Reaffirming also the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations and the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation,

1. *Decides* to establish a special multi-year account for supplementary development activities based on the priority objectives of the programmes of the approved medium-term plan;

2. *Also decides* that any cumulative savings achieved as a result of efficiency measures that are redeployed from other budget sections to the section relating to the Development Account with prior approval of the General Assembly shall form the maintenance base for that section in subsequent programme budgets;

[1] On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[2] A/53/945.

[3] A/53/7/Add.12.

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3. *Reaffirms* that the Development Account should be operated strictly in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations and the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation;

4. *Emphasizes* that the efficiency measures should not lead to a process of budgetary reduction and should not result in the involuntary separation of staff;

5. *Also emphasizes* that the efficiency measures should not adversely affect the full implementation of all mandated programmes and activities;

6. *Decides* to keep the implementation of the Development Account under review and requests the Secretary-General to submit reports in accordance with the relevant regulations and rules.